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AMUSEMENTS.

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SOCIETY NOTICES.

O. O. F.—Semi-annual meeting of Wm.
Penn Louge THIS EVENING for election
or officers and payment of dues. A Representative to the Grand Lodge will be voted for.
The Past Grands will east the beliefs for Grand
Officers.

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Perm. Secretary.

WANTED --- MISCELLANEOUS. WANTED - OLD GOLD - Cash paid for diamonds, watches, old gold and silver.
A. A. EYSTER, 349 W. Fifth. de23-21

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DABLES OF CINCINNATI-Awful funny-Comic Monthly, 10 cts., at any news stand.

The next twenty-four hours, probably clearing and fair and colder weather.

NEWS FROM THE METROPOLIS

Gas Explosion.

National Associated Press to the Star. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-A singular and frightful gas explosion occurred at 6:10 yesterday afternoon in the basement of the American Exchange Bank, No. 138 Broadway, corner of Cedar street. appears that the basement was full of gas that had been escaping for some time, and when the hight watchman of the building (Edward Condon) went into the room an explosion occurred with a terrible report. Condon was se-

riously hurt, and was conveyed to the Chamber -sireet Hospital. Chamber-sireet Hospital.

There were not many people on the street at the time of the explosion, but those who were in the locality were greatly irightened. The report was terribly loud, and was first thought to have been caused by a great boiler explosion, and an alarm of fire was quickly sounded. The engines were speedily on the ground, but their services were slight, as but little damage was done by the fire. One of the engines, however, poured considerable water into the basement to prevent any burning of the property. ment to prevent any burning of the prop-e ty. There was excitement in the neighborhood of the explosion an hour

neighborhood of the explosion an hour or more after the detonation. Great crowds gathered to see what damage had been done. A force of men has been put to work to clear away the debrie, and to get the basement in good order as soon as possible before the time for business commences to-morrow.

It appears that the damage is more than was at first reported. It is estimated now that the loss will be upwards of \$30,000. The force of the explosion shook the adjoining buildings, and broke nearly all their door and window glass; also the glass on the Cedar street side of the Equitable building, opposite the of the Equitable building, opposite the American Exchange Bank. Auch of the glass destroyed was of the finest description of large plate.

A plumber who had been repairing the

A plumber who had been repairing the gasometer in the basement of the American Exchange Bank, left the pipes insecure, and the light going out about 6. P. M. Condon, the night watchman, went down with a light to see what was the matter. The explosion occurred the moment he opened the door. The ceiling broke down; the other damage done is noted above. noted above.

Several Small Fires

occurred during the day, viz: In the extension of the four-story building, No. 164 Fifth avenue, occupied by Mrs. Wilkes, whose loss in furniture will be \$2,000, the building being damaged \$1,000; also, in the five-story building, No. 38 Mercer street, occupied by several dealers in straw goods, hostery, &c., causing a loss of \$4,000, and the building being damaged to the extent of \$2,000. The loss in the other cases did not exceed \$250.

Heavy Gales at Sea.

The steamers arrived from Europe all A. W., 9i West seventh street, Covington, Ky.

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Wanted—Situation—By a thorough drug and presoription clerk: single; speaks German; many cars' active experience; speaks German; many cars' active experience; fally wanted, moderate; first-class paper and reference. Address E. E. HECK, corner find reference and Jefferson streets, Louisville, Ky.

West seventh street, Covington, Ky.

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The Pommer thin also arrived yesterday, and reports heavy gales. She left Hamburg on the 6th, and Havre on the 8th, in company with the steamer Labrador, of the French line. One of the officers says: "Soon after we left France the says: "Soon after we left France the weather became very stormy, and on the third day from Havre one of the most terrible gales we ever experienced broke upon us; in fact it was a perfect hurricaue. The iron dayits of the boats on the third port, and all on the starboard, were broken by the sea, and the boats were driven aft on the deck, where they were secured in a dilapidated condition. Several of the other boats also started from their position. The flag-staff, made of nearly three-inch Iron. flag-staff, made of nearly three-inch Iron was broken like a pipe-steam. The sky lights broke and the side light was caried away by the waves which ran mountain high. As long as I live I shall never forget that day. During this day the second and third officers had a Prov-idential escape from being washed overboard." The commander are this is the heaviest weather he ever remembers in his one hundred and sixteen trips across the Atlantic in twenty-lour years. only ran eighty-five miles per day. the day of his arrival he had gales of ter-rible intensity from the southwest to the northwest.

An Assault.

New York, Dec. 26.—A number of rowdies attacked the occupants of two sleighs last night on Hackensack Road, near Weehawken, N. J., and during a tight three of the sleighing party were stabled and two of the ladies badly kicked and otherwise missed. kicked and otherwise misused.

Gen. Crook's Expedition. A special dated at the North Fork of Bellefourche River, December 21, vin Fort Fetterman December 25, says Gen. Crook announced that his expedition

would start home on the following day, owing to meager supplies and the nor-arrival of expected reinforcements. The Manhattan Club.

The Tribune says there are rumors of the approaching dissolution of the Man-hattan Club owing to a failure to meet its expenses. It includes among its members the most prominent Democratic politicians of this city. The Club is in debt to the extent of about \$75,000, and the members are seriously consider-ing the advisability of winding up its affairs. It is thought the Club will be reorganized.

Hun Ashore.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Norwegian ship Ujikan, Captain Hansey, from Lon-don for this part, went ashore on the Jersey coast at Ocean Grove last night during a dense fog. The ship will pronot moderate. The crew landed saiely.

Sentenced.

FOREIGN.

National Associated Press to the Star.

THE EASTERN SITUATION. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 26,-The Porte has intimated to the Powers its willingness to accept the proposed reform s that do not clash with the new Turkish Constitution, but is determined not to submit to changes under the pressure of foreign military force.

VIENNA, Dec. 26 .- Austria is increasing its war preparations. General Ignation for the Porte to discuss or change the conference proposals. The situation is therefore now considered critical.

Louisiana.

National Associated Press to the Star. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26 .- Messrs. Beebe and Joyce, of the House Sub-Committee, returned yesterday from Baton Rouge, o attend a full meeting of the Commit-

tee to-day.

In reply to Mr. Orton's dispatch to Mr. Morrison, stating that he will not be present in New Orleans in obedience to the supposa, Mr. Morrison says be will communicate the fact to the House; that it was believed those facts and others disclosed in the testimony of Mr. Barnes, telegraph manager at New Or-leans, and Mr. Orton's former communication, showed a purpose on Mr. Orton's part to hinder the Committee in its investigation, which the House might regard in contempt of its authority.

The excursion to the jetties has been abandoned on account of bad weather.

South Carolina. National Associated Press to the Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- The Times special from Columbia, S. C., says there is no truth in the rumored intention of Chamberlain to issue a proclamation against Hampton and cause his arrest in order to bring on a direct collision.
Chamberlain says, also, there is no truth in the report of the compromise between the Democrats and Republicans. There is no room for a compromise in South Carolina, any more than there is between Tilden and Hayes.

Florida.

National Associated Press to the Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- A Herald special from Jacksonville, Florida, says the joy of the people of Florida on the decision of the Supreme Court, which delivers them from the hands of the carpetlivers them from the hands of the carpet-bag government, is becoming pronounced and developed. Arrangements are now being made to have large popular dele-gations from every county in the State st Talianassee on the 2d of January, to attend Drew's inauguration ceremonies. Responses from several counties are re-ceived already and an impense crawd ceived already, and an immense crowd will be gathered on that day. No trouble is anticipated. The people are not at all restless, but are quite determined.

TALLAHASSEE, Dec. 26,-The members of the State Board of Canvassers are here, and the count of the vote under of the Supreme Court will be made to-day.

Fire at Sea-The Globe Theater. National Associated Press to the Star.

BOSTON, Dec. 26 .- The brig Settland at this port from London to-lay, reports

in their boats.
The Inspector of Public Buildings has notified the Globe Theater proprietor that he must improve his house in order to make it more secure in case of fire, and the order to take effect at once. A new brick wall and other changes are required, incurring probably an expense of \$30,000.

Washington Notes.

Vational Associated Press to the Star-WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26 .- The Senate, in Executive session, confirmed without reference the nomination of Nelson Trusler to be United States District Attorney for Indiana, sent in to-

The Senate in executive session today, received a message from the Pres-ident in relation to the extradition treaty with England, pertaining to treaty matters.

Convent Burned.

National Associated Press to the Star. MONTREAL, CANADA, Dec. 26. - The Convent of the Sisters of Providence, at St. Elizabeth, near Jcolette, Province of Quebec, was burned to the ground last night at 10 o'clock. The fire is sup-posed to have been caused by a defect-ive flue. Eight pupils are missing.

"Elfinella," a new poetic drama by Mr. Ross Neil, is very highly praised by the London Times. It has been pro-duced on the stage only in Edinburg, where it was much admired by the crit-

LATEST LOCAL,

THE will of Ezra G. Leonard was ad-

mitted to probate. J. J. PACKER was appointed administrator of Jacob Schneider. Personalty, \$500; realty, \$6,000.

JOSEPH RYDER, of 434 Eastern avenue, had a value stolen from his wagon this morning while the team was standing at the corner of Twelfth and Elm streets. DETECTIVE WAPPENSTEIN has identi-

fied the thieves who robbed the Amer-ican News Company this morning as the same chaps who raided Wilson, Hinkle & Co.'s store four days ago. MARGARET HANFELD, a German woman, who lived near the Catholic Church, Cumminsville, lell down and died suddenly while on a visit to her sister's house Saturday. A verdict of death from heart disease was rendered.

THE Loveland commuters on the Marietta & Cincinnati Railrond yesterday presented Conductors Col. John Nash and Mr. Joe Morton with handsome presents as a slight testimonial of es-teem. The Colonel received a valuable ring and a purse of \$50, and Mr. Morton was the recipient of one of the most elegant nickel-plated lamps ever seen.

and revolutionary proceedings are invited to unite in the election of delegates to a Convention to be held on the 8th of January to consider what is necessary to protect the people against usurpation, should such an attempt be made. It was also resolved that the representation to the Convention consist of three delegates from each election precinct, the election from each election precinct, the election for said delegates to be called by the respective Executive Committeemen, at the usual places of holding elections, on Saturday, December 30, at 7:30 to 8:30 P. M. in the city, and 6 to 8 P. M. in the country. The resolutions were adopted.

Mr. A. S. Flynn was appointed committeeman for the Eastern Precinct of Commits.

lolumbia. The following resolutions were adopted:
"Resolved, That Tilden and Hendricks have been legally and fairly elected to the offices of President and Vice President of the United States, and that we favor their inauguration, notwithstanding the threatenings of General Grant and the Republican leaders.

Governor Hayes, nor respect for the position in which has placed himself in his effort to usurp the office of President under cover of the frauds of the Returning Boards of Florida and Louisiana. That we ask our representatives in Congress to stand by the laws and Constitution without fear or favor. and Constitution without fear or favor, and piedge ourselves to stand by them in the performance of their duties to the

fullest extent.
Mr. Alexander Long made a speech urging the Committee to use every means to persuade the Chairman of the State Central Committee to have the State Convention held in Cincinnati instead of in Columbus. The Committee then adjourned,

Drowned in a Cistern.

El zibeth Witte, a German woman about forty-two years old, who lived on and Sixth and Race streets, was found drowned in a cistern at No. 383 Longworth street, next to the residence of Mr. Ben. Shott, about 10 o'clock this morning.

Last evening she suddenly disap-

Last evening she suddenly disappeared from her home, after having dressed herseli in clean clothes. The woman for some time had shown signs of insanity, and before she left yesterday she said that some one wanted to kill her, and if they did she wanted to

die in a clean dress.

Her niece, Theresa Witte, immediately after noticing her absence, instituted a search which proved futile until the deceased was found in the cistern by a young lady named Allie Gordon. The deceased was seen by the latter about half-past 6 o'clock, and when asked what she wanted said that she

was afraid the police and the doctors were going to kill her.

Miss Gordon gave her, at her request, a drink of water, and then led her to the gate. After that she did not see the deceased until she discovered her in the

At the inquest held this morning the above facts were found, and a verdict rendered of death from suicide by drowning while laboring under a fit of mental aberration.

Marriage Licenses. The following marriage licenses were

issued since our last report: Jas. Williams and Ann M. Curtis. P. Hermann and Belle Good, E. Stevens and Margareta Miedtt, E. C. Bellis and Katie White. J. Bogart and Louis F. Hibben. Smith and Ann Johnson. G. W. Beard and Jose'ne Montgomery Chas. Nebel and Rosa Westerkamp. Wm. Darmoty and Mary McHale. Wm. Strate and Anoetia Green.

P. R. Taft and Anna M. Hulburt. M. T. Hoshol and Maggie C. Foster. A. B. Majott and R. E. Dickerson. 1. S. Shepherd and J. C. Cunningham. J. C. Fitzpatrick and Sarah E. Shiuledecker. Geo. Zeumer and Laura Passman. G. A. Beever and Margaret Kestler. F. Murray and Elien Kelley.

Chas, Rogers and Mattie Jackson. Police Court. Miscellaneous-Maggie Smith, mali-

cious destruction of property, dismissed; Chas. R. Beckwith, M. B. T. Babbitt's confidential clork, who was convicted of forgery a short time ago, was to day sentenced to the State Prison for ten years.

Sentenced.

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Joyment which prevailed takes rank with that famous sathering schoot time ago at the Exposition Building, which has gone down to history as the Mardi Grass Ball, The beautiful house less inglat at one down to history as the Mardi Grass Ball, The beautiful house less inglat at one which the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not consistent to the coasion was a most enjoyable one. Here we was not enjoyable one. Here w

Refuge.

Assault and Battery-Fred. Witterberg, \$5; Matthew Maley, Pat. Hickey, continued to Dec. 29; Lewis Patriot, continued to Dec. 27; H. Muzenbrock,

LOCAL PERSONALS.

Attorney-General Taft is at home. Rev. T. W. McLean, of Aurora, Indiana, is at the Grand Hotel.

Andy Gilligau has been presented with a gold-headed cane by his warmest friends.

Will S. Munson, Esq., presented that splendid cross of ivory to the Clifton Church.

Rev. J. Murray Bailey, of Peoria, 111., has accepted the pastorship of the First Universalist Church of this city. Owen Owens, Esq., was the only man who showed up at the Board of Educa-tion last night. He organized himself into an Electoral College, and—went

gon) Bee relates the following: A good story is told by a gentleman who came down on the East Side train last evening. A ranaway couple got on at one of the stations, and some of the "boys" who were coming down conclude i to have a little fun at the expense of Mr Soap Creek. One of them was posted at the end of the car and was to glance threateningly at the victim occasionally, and appear to keep a strict watch of his movements. An-other carelessly approached "Scapy" and entered into conversation, informing him that he had better "keep his eyes peeled," as the man in the end of the car was a sheriff, and intended arresting him as soon as the train arrived in Portland. At this he looked scared, and the girl began to cry. But tears availed naught, for by the time the train had almost reached the car-shops had become so frantic that he rushed to the platform, deliberately jumped off, and has not since been heard from. A sympathizing lady took the girl to her home, where she is now stay-

ing. Maurice Strakosch, it is said, proposes to take Gilmore's Band to Paris in 1878 as a representative American inst. tution. The Philadelphia Times laughs at the idea, and says that the country has done nothing to deserve such fearful retribution at the hands of Mr. Strakosch. "It is not that it is not a representative band, but because it would give the musical public of Europe so false an idea of our musical culture. We need hardly speak of the peculiar con-ditions which prevent us from keeping due military band in this country They are understood here; they would not be abroad. And Mr. Glimore, enterprising business manager and clever gentleman that he is, is not the man to get together a band, which America would consent to consider as its repre-

Lady Morgan called upon the poet Rogers when he was past ninety, and fast relapsing into sentility. She had as a companion a young lady to whom he had once offered murriage. Lady Mor-gan asked him if he recognized her, and he said hesitatingly that he did, calling her by name. She then asked it he knew the lady sie had brought with her. Atter the lady she had brought with her. After an effort, as if he were recalling some fast disappearing train of thought, he said slowly: "Yes, I know her; she has come to marry me!" The young lady afterwards said that she felt as if she ould have sunk through the floor.

A new device to preyent coal miners strikes and lockouts has been adopted by the Miners' Association and the coal by the Minds Asso, England. They have jointly appoined a barrister with a salary of £300 to sit as an independent to hear evidence upon any dispute that may occur between employers and employed. Some such system might probably be introduced to ad-vantage in certain sections of Pennsyl-

It is astonishing with what celerity a "spread" of caudy disappears at a Chrisimas Suuday-school lay out.

Carlyle smokes a pipe, and is as graft as ever. When a distinguished modern novelist called on him recently, he said: "I have read your books with great piessure. They are amusing. You are just amusing. But when are you going to do something—to write a real book—th man?"

eh, man? Frederick Lemaitre was one day walking with his manager, Harel, and explaining to nim his views on dramatic art. "As for managers," he said, "why —." "I understand," replied Harel, "most of them are rools," "Most of them?" answered Lemaitre; "all of them are—without exception."

Senator Cameron said laughingly to Mr. Biaine, "I have just recommended for appointment as Postmaster in a large city in my State an enthusiastic Blaine man." "Wny," replied the Smator from Maine, quick as flash, "yeu could not do otherwise in Pennsylvania unless you appointed a Democrat."

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Prof. James Russell Lowell was no pleased by Gen. Bartlett's suggestion that even dime novel reading was to be encouraged as a lender toward better reading that no thanked its author, and said he meant to expand it in an essay and dedicate a book on reading, of which this should be a part, to Gen. Bartlett. Miss Frances Power Cobbe is a writer of good English and stout editorial; size is also a middle-aged woman of the most liberal proportions. Complaining one

brother cried rather to her disgust "Well, Faony, where is the small of your back?" Dr. Nohl, Professor of Music at Hold-elberg, and a worshiper of Wagner, said, in one of his late lectures, that Bayrouth will be the future Olympia of Germany, that Wagner is one of the foremost poets of Germany, and that, in the "Ring of the Nibelungen," the in-ginning of the day is to be recognized of which Goethe dreamt.

day that she had a "pain in the small of her back," a spoiled infant of a younger

Sir Richard Steele was buried in St. Peter's Church, Carmartnen. A brass tablet has lately been placed in position there with the following inscription: "Sir Richard Steele, Knight, author, cosayist, first chief promoter of the periodical press of England; born in Dublin March 12, 1671; buried in this church and below this tablet."

General McClellan's criticism on the Khedive's army had its effect. He said that the army needed to learn reading, writing and arithmetic. The Khedive, after reflecting a moment, issued an or-der that no promotions should be grant-ed to any soldier or officer who had not acquired the rudiments. The consequence was that the whole army immediately became a school.

George William Curtis was by when a George William Curtis was by when a young woman flounced into a railway car, and, with a great din, exclaimed. "Did you ever know anything so hot? I'm stiffing. Whew! Open the window, Isu't it awful," etc. "Yes'm," responded a solemn voice from the end of the car, "it is awful. But t'aint nothing to the sufferin's of the early Christians." Everything is comparative, you see.

Miss Helen Taylor-John Stuart Mills step-laughter—signal zed her canvaca for election to the London School Board by a violent speech against the clergy, she declared the contest to be one of School Boards against clerical despe-School Boards against cierical despetum. The ciergymen, she said, were merely anxious to get the schoolmaster to do the clergyman's work, but in that case they should give up the clergy-

Prof. Johnstrup, the naturalist who has been engaged in perilous and difficult explorations in the desolate volcanic regions of Iceland, comforts the Icelanders with the assurance that the activity of the volcances has undoubtedly ceased for a long time to come. He reports also that the belief that there is a gold, silver, and from ore in the island is entirely unfounded. Iceland has not even coal seams. The conditions for the presence of these ores are all wanting

Julia Hissen, the French singer who died a couple of weeks ago, was only twenty-seven. She made her debut in 1868 at the Opera as "Leonora," having been trained by Wartel, and achieved a remarkable success. Her other noteworthy roles were "Anna" in "Dan Juan," and "Selika" in "L'Africaine." In 1873, baving greatly overtasked her strength, she fainted while singing in "Il Trovatore," and never appeared again, dying jast month of consumption.